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29 October 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting With Mrs. Martha Pennino, Fairfax County Board Supervisor,
28 October 1986

1. I met in private for half an hour with Mrs. Martha Pennino on 28 October at her office. She is the Fairfax County Board of Supervisor's member for the Dranesville District which includes Reston. Her attitude toward me and the CIA was very positive. It turned out that we had connections going back to the early 1970s and that she had had a close neighbor who worked at CIA who was killed in an automobile accident a short time ago. She had attended a post mortem award ceremony at the Agency for this employee.

2. After discussing for 10 minutes life in Fairfax County, the topic turned to CIA in Reston. Mrs. Pennino observed that Reston residents are a bit "different." She said that she had found this out while working on the street light issue. She said Fairfax County had a program to install a certain number of new street lights in each district each year but that Reston citizens didn't want to participate. They don't want their streets better lighted because it changes the atmosphere. She said this is similar to the "fence" issue.

3. As we proceeded to discuss CIA in Reston, there was never an issue about the fact that CIA intended to locate there. Mrs. Pennino said that the small amount of mail that she has received on this topic was pro-CIA. The issues were more cosmetic.

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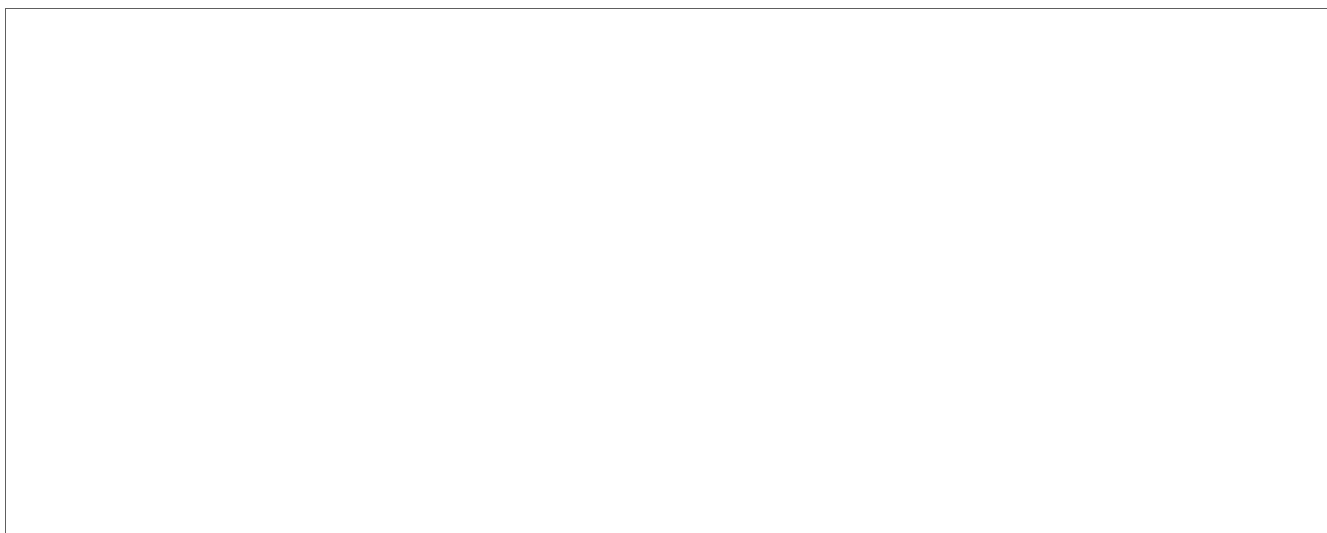
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7. I left my telephone number [redacted] with Mrs. Pennino and told her that we aim to be a good neighbor and if there were any topics of concern that arose with respect to CIA in Reston she should not hesitate to call me.

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8. The meeting ended on an upbeat tone.



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William F. Donnelly

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trict, has received much of the
credit for both the Metro agree-
ment and the airport legislation,
and he has taken it publicly.

"It's like Howard Cosell taking
credit for the football game while
I'm down on the field playing it,"
said Milliken, who often uses humor
to make his point or defuse a tense
political situation.

Nonetheless, the issues for which
Wolf is best known to his constitu-
ency are the same issues Milliken
has worked throughout his political
career, so Milliken's challenge in
running for Congress has been to
define the distinctions.

"As people learn the differences
... they'll realize I'd represent
them better, because I'm more in
keeping with their views," he says.

Milliken says he "absolutely" ex-
pects to win, despite polls that sug-
gest such an outcome is unlikely. A
poll released yesterday by the Jour-
nal papers shows him trailing 51 to
39, a considerable improvement
over a poll two weeks earlier.

His campaign has been able to
raise more than \$650,000 so far, an
unprecedented amount for a chal-
lenger in a district that usually

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JOHN G. MILLIKEN
... "absolutely" expects to win

Contractors Rescind Request For CIA Facility in Reston

Officials Objected to 197-Foot Tower

By John F. Harris
Washington Post Staff Writer

When Fairfax County officials
learned last summer that the Cen-
tral Intelligence Agency needed a
communications facility in the Res-
ton area "for reasons of national
defense," many said it was their
patriotic duty to consider the pro-
posal.

When they learned that what the
agency had in mind was a micro-
wave communications station that
would mark Reston's skyline with a
197-foot-tall, 27-foot-wide tower,
they said, "No way."

After months of sparring with
local officials, contractors for the
CIA rescinded their request for per-
mission to erect the tower this
week, according to county author-
ities.

One of the contractors, identified
in the papers as an Alexandria firm
named Overseas Telecommunica-
tions Inc., proposed the facility to
"connect a satellite earth station at
Quantico with facilities at Langley,
Virginia, and ultimately the White
House," the papers show. Langley
is the home of the CIA.

Fairfax County Board Vice Chair-
man Martha V. Pennino, a Demo-
crat who represents the Reston
area on the county board and a lead-

ing foe of the proposed tower, said
yesterday a ranking CIA official told
her on Tuesday that heavy opposi-
tion to the tower forced the agency
to find an alternative means of
transmitting its signals.

The CIA declined to comment.

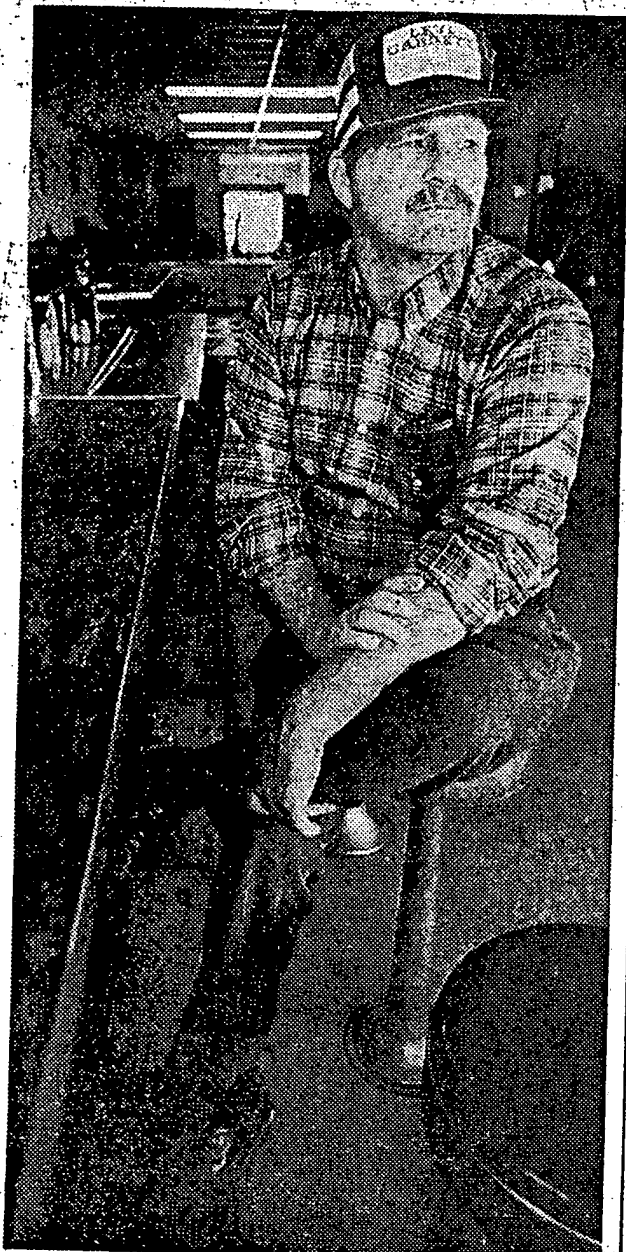
The tower would have been part
of the Foreign Broadcast Informa-
tion Service, a branch of the CIA,
according to zoning papers. A CIA
spokeswoman said the service mon-
itors foreign broadcasts and com-
piles information for use by other
U.S. agencies.

"I think they [the CIA] realized
that that site was the wrong site,"
said John H. Thillmann, a Fairfax
County Planning Commission mem-
ber. "Let's be honest . . . It was an
eyesore, and it was right in the back
yard of two communities and across
the street from another."

Brian Wood, a spokesman for
New Jersey-based Bell Atlantic,
said that an Alexandria firm iden-
tified as Overseas Telecommuni-
cations Inc. approached Bell Atlan-
tic last summer, saying it was act-
ing as a broker for the federal gov-
ernment in finding a location for
several large disks to be used for
microwave communications.

Bell Atlantic already owns a tow-

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to oppose the proposed deal in a
meeting set for Nov. 20.

But County Executive J. Hamilton Lambert said the county drove a good bargain to acquire needed

the development partnership.

The trade calls for the county to give the development partnership 116 acres near I-66 and Rte. 50 near Fair Oaks Mall; as well as \$5 million a year for 10 years' begin-

29, a four-lane bridge over I-66, several new roads around the development, and a cul-de-sac to prevent traffic from using Legato Road as a commuter street.

A public hearing on the proposal is scheduled Nov. 24. If supervisors decide to go ahead, construction would begin in 1988.

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TOWER, From C1

er on the Reston site, but its base is only 4 feet in diameter and could not support the new apparatus, so the company applied to Fairfax County for permission to build a new tower to accommodate Overseas' needs.

When Thillmann told the officials that zoning approval for the new tower would take several months, he said, "They were aghast. They said 'We've got to have a decision within two weeks.'"

"Their attitude was: 'We've got to have this thing right away, and if we don't have it, we're going to build it anyway.'"

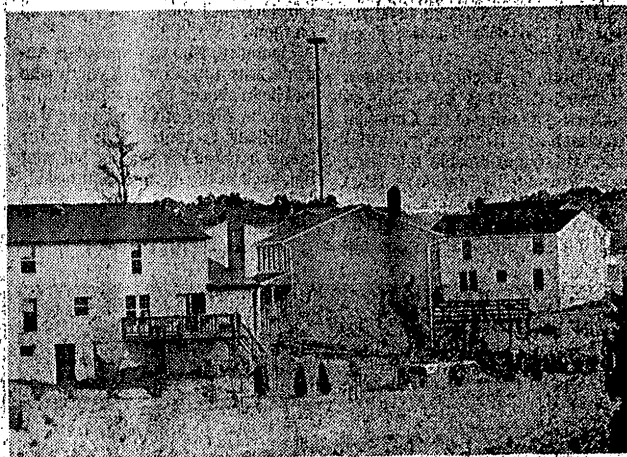
Thillmann said Bell Atlantic and Overseas officials at first did not acknowledge what federal agency they were working for. "You never knew who you were dealing with," he said. "It was a strange, strange affair."

"I'm not into this kind of cloak-and-dagger routine," Pennino complained, before the application was rescinded.

Thillmann and Pennino said they later learned that site was attractive to the CIA because it was near offices in downtown Reston where the agency plans to move some of its operations. Many Reston residents have opposed the CIA move, saying the secretive agency is not compatible with the air of "openness" they want for their community.

"We've never confirmed or denied that we are doing anything out there," said CIA spokeswoman Sharon Foster.

A spokesman for Overseas said yesterday that the CIA had instructed the firm not to comment on the tower. The spokesman denied suggestions from some Reston opponents that Overseas was a dummy corporation for the CIA,



BY DAYNA SMITH—THE WASHINGTON POST

Bell Atlantic tower on site where larger CIA communications tower was planned.

saying the firm has several million dollars in revenues, and deals with over 20 Fortune 500 businesses.

As microwave communications technology has blossomed, proposals for towers have been increasingly controversial. Although no ill physical effects have been documented because of microwave com-

munications, their use often conjures frightening images to the public, according to private specialists on microwave technology. Also, because microwave communication requires a "line-of-sight" path from tower to tower, station to station, large, obtrusive towers are often needed.

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